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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

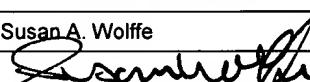
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Group Art Unit	1775
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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3.	<p>Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.</p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-0733</p> <table> <tr> <td>i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)</td> <td>07/21/2005</td> <td>SZEWIDIE1</td> <td>00000045</td> <td>190733</td> <td>09937697</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)</td> <td>01 FC:1801</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>790.00 DA</td> </tr> <tr> <td>iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed</p> <p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)</p>	i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)	07/21/2005	SZEWIDIE1	00000045	190733	09937697	ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)	01 FC:1801				790.00 DA	iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____					
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